# VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System - PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency

The VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System is a teaching healthcare system with 18 locations in Northeast Ohio that serves more than 110,900 Veterans across 21 counties. It is a training environment for more than 3,000 students across various disciplines in affiliation with more than 200 academic institutions. The main medical center, the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, is one of the largest VA facilities in the country and serves as the primary residency site. It is located about six miles east of downtown Cleveland at Wade Park in University Circle.

**PGY1 Program Purpose:** PGY1 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop pharmacist



practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives. Residents who successfully complete PGY1 residency programs will be skilled in diverse patient care, practice management, leadership, and education, and be prepared to provide patient care, seek board certification in pharmacotherapy (i.e., BCPS), and pursue advanced education and training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies.

#### **REQUIRED EXPERIENCES:**

Administration/Formulary Management (1 month)

Ambulatory Care – Primary Care Focus (1 month)

Critical Care (1 month)

Infectious Diseases (1 month on either inpatient ID consult service or in antimicrobial stewardship)

Inpatient Internal Medicine (3 separate months)

Orientation (1 month)

December (1 month) is reserved for Midyear attendance and administrative time for projects and presentations

# **ELECTIVE EXPERIENCES (select 3 - 1 month each):**

Ambulatory Care (additional month)

Anticoagulation

Antimicrobial Stewardship (if required ID experience fulfilled via inpatient ID consult service)

**Emergency Medicine** 

Geriatrics

Hematology/Oncology

**Patient Safety** 

**Psychiatry** 

Spinal Cord Injury

Transitions of Care (Geriatrics and/or Heart Failure focus)

Women's Health

#### **ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ACTIVITIES:**

Case Presentation (2) and Journal Club Presentations (2)
Chief Resident (1-2 months)
Comparative Effectiveness GRADE Evidence Profile
Formal Seminar
Medication Use Evaluation
Research or Quality Improvement Project with Lean Six Sigma Certification
Student Preceptorship
Staffing (every 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend)

#### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES OFFERED:**

Teaching Certificate Program
Resident Mentor-Mentee Program

## **EARLY COMMITTMENT OPPORTUNITY\* FOR OUR LOCAL PGY-2 PROGRAMS:**

Ambulatory Care Geriatrics Infectious Diseases Psychiatry

# NATIONAL MATCHING SERVICE CODE: 188913 (VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System)

#### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE:**

U.S. citizenship required for VA employment. Curriculum vitae, letter of intent, transcript with GPA or class rank if school does not calculate GPA should be submitted via PhORCAS. Letter of intent should focus on why candidate is specifically interested in the VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System PGY1 residency program. Three references requested, with two being from clinical rotation preceptors. References should use the PhORCAS reference format (separate narrative letter not required) and should specifically comment on how the resident compares to other students/residents. Licensure required within 90 days of starting residency or else resident will be dismissed from the program.

## **2023-4 RECRUITMENT INFORMATION:**

- We will be participating in the Ohio Society of Health-System Pharmacy (OSHP) Residency Showcase on October 28<sup>th</sup>; more information and registration is available here: https://www.ohioshp.org, under the Events/Meetings tab.
- We will be participating in the VA Residency Virtual Showcase on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 2-4PM EST via Microsoft Teams;
   (<u>Click here to join the meeting</u>) more information about this showcase will be posted here: https://www.pbm.va.gov/education/vapharmacyresidencyprogram.asp.
- We will be participating in the SNPhA/ACCP Virtual Residency Showcase on October 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> from 5-8PM CST via Microsoft Teams; more information about this showcase will be posted here: <u>ACCP</u>
- We will be participating in the ASCP Residency and Fellowship Showcase at the ASCP Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>; more information is available here: <u>AM23 · Students (ascp.com)</u>
- We will not be participating in other national showcases this year nor hosting an open house for applicants.
- All interviews will be conducted virtually this year. We are planning an <u>optional</u> onsite open house specifically for
  candidates invited to interview that would occur after the virtual interview and will <u>not</u> be taken into consideration for
  the site's ranking.

## **RESIDENCY PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

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<sup>\*</sup>Resident must apply for consideration; resident and program must abide by local early commitment policy as defined in program manual